Vote No. 103

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NORTHERN IRELAND/Passage

SUBJECT: A resolution commending the parties that negotiated the Northern Ireland Peace Agreement . . . S.Con. Res. 90. Passage.

ACTION: RESOLUTION AGREED TO, 97-0

SYNOPSIS: As introduced and passed, S.Con. Res. 90, a resolution commending the parties that negotiated the Northern Ireland Peace Agreement, would express the sense of Congress that all of the participants in the negotiations, including Great Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair, Ireland's Taoisearch (Prime Minister) Bertie Ahern, and former Senator George Mitchell, deserve congratulations. The resolution will also make several findings regarding the history of conflict in Northern Ireland and of efforts to end that conflict.

Those favoring passage contended:

There are renewed hopes for peace in Northern Ireland following the signing of a historic peace agreement on Good Friday of this year. We congratulate the opposing sides for their willingness to comprise, we congratulate the Prime Ministers of Ireland and Great Britain for their efforts, and we especially commend our former colleague, George Mitchell, who was sent by President Clinton to guide the negotiations. We are very pleased that an agreement has been reached, and pray that the peace will be lasting.

No arguments were expressed in opposition to passage.

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